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Winnebago City District.

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H. W. HOLLY, Receiver.  
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Winnebago City, Minn., Oct. 29, 1867.

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NO. 27.

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS, WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

Regular Communications are held Tuesday Evening on or before the full moon, and two weeks thereafter.

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REGULAR meeting every Friday evening, at Mount's Hall.

J. E. CALDWELL, W. C. T.

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OFFICIALS OF FARIBAULT COUNTY.

Att. Gen.—E. W. CADY, Tres.—R. B. JOHNSON,  
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" " 2d " " H. J. NEAL,  
" " 3d " " JOHN R. SIMON,  
" " 4th " " J. C. COOPER,  
" " 5th " " JOSEPH CAGLETT.

District Court of First District magistrate Blue Earth City on the Twenty-first of October.

C. J. FARLEY,

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

OFFICE AT THE DRUG STORE

Calls by day or night promptly attended to.

Winnebago City, Aug. 15, 1867.

Dr. J. P. Holmes,

Physician & Surgeon,

Officer over the Hardware Store, Main St., Winnebago City, Minnesota.

N. B.—Office open for calls at all hours of the day and night.

ANDREW C. DUNN,

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MANKATO, BLUE EARTH COUNTY, MINN.

Will attend promptly and faithfully to all business entrusted to their care.

Have for sale at all times, large quantities of Winnebago Trust Lands, and other valuable Farming lands.

A. WILLARD, - - 2121 - - F. S. BARNEY

DREW & PAYNE,

Manufacturers of and dealers in Furniture, embracing Bureaus, Tables, Mattresses, Bedsteads, Lounges, Mirrors, Flag Chairs, and in fact every article of Parlor, Bedroom or Kitchen Furniture. Front Street, two doors North of Shoemaker's Hall, Mankato, Minnesota.

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CLINTON HOUSE.

Front Street, near the Lever.

MANKATO, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOAA.

M. T. C. FLOWER, Proprietor.

General State Office for all points in the State. Good Stabling with attentive Officers.

19yl

LAW'S HOTEL.

Corner of Holley & Main Streets, Winnebago City

D. S. LAW Proprietor.

Stages leave this House for all Points.

There is also a good livery connected with the House.

Oct. 30th 1867

## LAKE HOUSE,

Waterville, Le Sueur Co., Minnesota,

J. M. GRAY, Prop.

TERMS Reasonable.—Teamsters ever, night

General stage office. Good stabling, and reasonable charges.

## GARDEN CITY HOTEL.

### Evans & Fall, Proprietors.

This House is New, commodious, pleasantly located, and has been newly furnished throughout. The very best accommodations guaranteed to travelers and boarders.

Good Stable Room for Teams.

21yl

## Harness Shop.

The undersigned takes this method of informing the people of Winnebago City and vicinity, that he has just opened a new harness shop in

WINNEBAGO CITY.

It is now prepared to do all kinds of work in his line. New harness made to order, and all kinds of repairing done on short notice. Shop upstairs, next door south of Richardson & Reynolds' Grocery.

E. H. HUTCHINS.

Winnebago City, May 23, 1867.

J. S. PERRY,

TAILOR!

Blue Earth City, Minnesota,

Shop in Pratt's Building, Next Door to

Tuttle & Kaup's Hardware Store.

All kinds of country produce wanted for work cutting done on short notice, and warranted if fit properly made up.

21yl

## BLACKSMITH SHOP.

Blacksmithing, Shoeing, Repairing, &c.

The undersigned still occupies the shop near the Steam Mill, and would respectfully announce that he is now prepared to manufacture tools

## ROD & MOLD-BOARD

## Breaking Plows.

Having secured the services of FIRST CLASS

workmen, I am able to offer the best quality of work, both Manufacturing and Repairing, Jobbing, Horse & Ox Shoeing, &c. in the best manner.

Thanking you for past services, I would solicit a confidence of the public patronage.

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J. M. WHEELER.

## WHOLESALE & RETAIL

## Crockery Store!

MANKATO, MINN.

ALBERT S. WHITE, Proprietor.

Crockery, Glassware, Groceries, &c., for sale

by wholesale or retail. Country stores supplied on reasonable terms. Rooms on Main Street

nearly opposite Braud & Bro.

21yl

## CHAS. HELBORN.

Manufacturer and Dealer in

## FURNITURE

of every variety.

Gilt Mouldings Kept on Hand

WARE-ROOMS CORNER OF HICKORY & SECOND

STS. MANKATO MINN.

21yl

P. K. WISER,

Practical Watch-Maker,

AND

J. E. W. L. E. R.,

Mankato, - - Minn.

DEALER IN

Watches, clocks, Jewelry & silver ware

Repairing neatly executed and warranted.

21yl

## BILLIARD ROOM.

DAN MARKHAM & CO. PROS.

Opposite Clifton House,

Mankato, Minnesota.

Our tables are new and are of the best make

Good cigars and liquors at the bar.

49yl

CHARLES E. MAYO,

WHOLESALE DEALER IN

## HARDWARE!

AGENTS FOR

FAIRBANKS SCALES!

ST. PAUL.

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SMITH & HUMPHREY,

Dealers in

## BOOKS & STATIONERY

POST OFFICE BUILDING, FRONT ST.,

MANKATO, MINN.

Particular attention paid to Music Orders

49yl

A new lot of Warranty Deeds just

**THE HOMESTEAD**  
WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

AUGUST 7, 1867.

Republican State Convention.

The Union electors of the State of Minnesota are hereby called upon to meet in Delegate Convention at Ingersoll's Hall, St. Paul, on Wednesday, at 12 o'clock M., the 11th of September, 1867, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer and Attorney General, to be elected at the ensuing election in November next; The apportionment of delegates is as follows:

Anoka.....	1	Monongahela.....	1
Benton.....	1	Morrison.....	1
Blue Earth.....	5	Mower.....	2
Brown.....	1	Nicollet.....	1
Carver.....	3	Olmsted.....	1
Cass.....	1	Otter Tail.....	1
Chisago.....	1	Pine.....	1
Dakota.....	7	Pope.....	1
Dodge.....	1	Ramsey.....	2
Fairbault.....	3	Redwood.....	1
Fitzgerald.....	9	Renville.....	1
Goodhue.....	8	Rice.....	1
Hennepin.....	9	Sibley.....	4
Houston.....	1	Sherburne.....	1
Iron.....	1	Stearns.....	2
Jackson.....	5	Tonka.....	1
Kangley.....	1	Wabasha.....	6
Le Sueur.....	1	Waseca.....	1
Linn.....	1	Washington.....	4
Martin.....	1	Watonwan.....	1
McLeod.....	1	Winona.....	8
Mower.....	1	Wright.....	3
Mille Lacs.....	1		

Delegates from unorganized counties not named will be subject to the action of the Convention.

THOS. FOSTER, Chairman. THOMAS SIMPSON,

H. E. MANN.

W. B. MITCHELL.

W. H. MICHNAUL.

Republican State Committee.

St. Paul, July 18, 1867.

We publish the law this week, which was passed at the last session of the Legislature, and which is to be submitted to the people for approval or rejection, at the next election. Read it carefully, and be prepared to vote understandingly, Yes, or No.

AN ACT to provide a sinking fund for the adjustment of the Minnesota State rail road bonds.

It is enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. All lands which have accrued or shall accrue to this State under the provisions of an act of Congress of the United States approved September 4, 1850, "An Act to appropriate the proceeds of sales of public lands and to grant pre-emption rights," and the proceeds thereof together with all money which shall be paid into the treasury, after the passage of this act by the several railroad companies, as in lieu of taxes, shall be held and set apart as a separate fund, and shall be accumulated the sum of one thousand dollars per acre for the adjustment of bond sinking funds.

2. The said lands shall be selected, appraised, sold, leased, conveyed and held, and in every respect managed and controlled in the same manner, by the same officers, (except that the minimum price shall be three dollars per acre,) as the lands belonging to the common school fund of this State, and shall be held by law, directed to be selected, appraised, sold, leased, conveyed, held, managed and controlled.

3. Whenever and Minnesota State railroad bond sinking fund shall have accumulated the sum of twenty thousand dollars, but not oftener than once each year, the State Treasurer shall insert a notice in the newspapers in the several cities of the State and in a newspaper in the city of New York, inviting the holders of Minnesota State railroad bonds to submit, at an appointed time, to the said treasurer, proposals for the surrender of an amount or amounts of said bonds in exchange for the money then in said sinking fund. A copy of said notice shall be made and filed in the office of the Auditor and interest in such bonds to far as the names and address of such persons can be ascertained. Upon receiving such proposals, they shall be opened and examined by the Governor, Auditor and Treasurer, who shall decide which of said proposals are most acceptable, and then cause them to be referred to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer, for the payment of the money, or any part of it, belonging to said Minnesota State railroad bond sinking fund, to the person or persons whose proposals shall have been decided to be the most advantageous; upon completion, by such person or persons, who will then receive the same, and the same, together with the interest thereon, shall be forthwith canceled.

Such officers may reject such proposals, and may direct the Treasurer to advertise for new proposals.

4. This act shall be submitted, for approval or rejection, to the electors of the State of Minnesota, by means of a printed or written ballot, or part written and part printed, inscribed:

Apportionment of State railroad bond sinking fund, for the extinguishment of the Minnesota State railroad bonds, "Yes," or the same "No."

The ballot cast shall be canvassed and recorded in the same manner as the State election.

If the majority of the votes cast at such election on the subject shall be "Yes," then this act shall take effect and be in force from and after Jan. 1, 1868. If a majority of said votes shall be "No," this act shall be null and void, except in respect to the provisions for the submission thereof, which shall be in force from and after the day of this act.

Approved March 5, 1867.

The Minnesota Valley Railroad Company are pushing their road forward with commendable energy, and we are gratified to learn that on Wednesday last it was opened to a point opposite Faxon, about seven miles this side of Belle Plaine.

We learn further that the grading has been completed to within seven miles of Le Sueur, and sufficient iron purchased and enroute to lay the track to that village, which the company expect to accomplish by the first of October next.

*Mankato Record.*

The election in Tennessee on the 1st inst. was the quietest ever known there. Whites and blacks voted without interruption. The majority for Brownlow is over 30,000, and every radical Congressman is elected.

**Andrew Johnson as He Is.**

The Cincinnati *Commercial* publishes a portion of the testimony before the Impeachment Committee, which describes a call from the assassin, J. Wilkes Booth, upon Andrew Johnson, April 12, 1865, and gives a clue to the history of the intimacy between A. Johnson and Mrs. Lucy Cobb, the confidential agent of an accidental President who it appears, began to talk about "*my administration*" before the assassin put the people's President out of the way.

Question. When, if ever, were you upon the staff of Andrew Johnson, then Governor of Tennessee, and in what capacity?

Answer. As temporary aid from the 13th of August, 1864, to the 12th of November, 1864.

Q. State whether you resided in his family, and how intimate you were with him.

A. I did not reside in his family; I boarded in a hotel at Nashville, Tennessee, but during the political campaign of 1864 I accompanied him from Nashville on his tour through Indiana, and up to his return to Nashville. We got back November 10th. During that time I occupied the same room with Governor Johnson, and wrote his private dispatches and letters. Brownlow, his Private Secretary, was also with him, but most of the time was not able to do business from illness.

Q. While at Nashville, did you know a person by the name of Mrs. —?

A. I did; the widow of a Confederate officer. Her husband was reported killed in the early part of the rebellion.

Q. Please describe the woman?

A. She is a little over medium height, between forty and fifty years of age. She has a married daughter; is of rather light complexion, light auburn hair, blue eyes, and has a finely developed form.

Q. What, if any, terms of intimacy existed between the woman and Governor Johnson?

A. I left Nashville on the 29th day of December. During the time I was there this woman had the entree to the White House at all times. She had obtained permission to trade in the Army of the Cumberland for her son-in-law. I saw letters in the hand-writing of Governor Johnson's aid, signed by him, which she brought out of his office, recommending her son-in-law to President Lincoln and Secretary Stanton—one to each—recommending her son-in-law to a position in Savannah after we heard of the capture of that place by Sherman. I asked her as she came out of the office if she had the documents she wanted, and she showed them to me.

Her intimacy with and calls upon Governor Johnson were matters of common notoriety and scandal in Nashville. Her son-in-law afterwards remarked to me, that the old woman could twist Andy Johnson about her finger just as she pleased.

Q. What was this woman's reputation for chastity in Nashville at the time?

A. She was known as a woman who retained her virtue for money.

Q. How well known was this reputation?

A. In July, 1863, when I was on duty in Nashville as Lieutenant, General Rosecrans issued an order that all the bad women should be sent out of the city, and I was ordered by Captain Ed. M. Hurlburt, Assistant Provost Marshal and Chief of Military Police, of the Eighteenth Michigan Infantry, to assist in the execution of this order.—In the performance of this duty I first heard of this woman, and learned from her the fast people and fast women with whom I was brought in contact, of her character, which was so bad I determined to have her arrested at all hazards; but she had suddenly disappeared. Upon making inquiries for her, I was informed by several people, and especially by Joe Cheatham, a detective, that I had better leave that woman alone, or I would get myself into trouble, as she was Andy Johnson's woman. Accordingly I ceased my pursuit. Afterward I saw this same woman at the Capitol, (Tennessee) as I before stated.

Q. Were you present in Washington in the winter of 1865, when Andrew Johnson arrived in Washington?

A. I was, and roomed at 432 13th street, and boarded at the Kirkwood House.

Q. How soon after President Johnson arrived in Washington did you see him?

A. President Johnson arrived in the evening, and I called on him the next afternoon in his room. I think No. 182, at the Metropolitan Hotel.

Q. State if you know, whether that woman (——) came with him?

A. She came, as I am informed by Lieut. Kennedy Long, then and now on President Johnson's staff, in the same train from Nashville with President Johnson.

Q. At what hotel did she put up, what room did she occupy, and did you see her there?

A. She put up at the Metropolitan Hotel, and occupied, I think, the next room to President Johnson. I saw her in President Johnson's room that afternoon when I called. She came in after I called. She came in without knocking and I left.

Q. How long after this occurrence before you were in President Johnson's room? At what time of the day? And on what errand?

A. I called the next afternoon. I cannot state the hour precisely, to inform President Johnson that Mr. Stanton had not complied with his request to appoint me a Captain and Commissary of Subsistence of Volunteers, and also to present to him two young sons of Mr. Thomas Underwood, of Lafayette, Indiana, one about eight and the other about six years of age.

Q. While you were there were any cards sent up to President Johnson?

A. There was one, and I saw that.

Q. Did President Johnson order the person whose card was sent up to be admitted?

A. He did.

Q. What name was on the card?

A. J. Wilkes Booth.

Q. Was he admitted?

A. He was.

Q. State as near as you can the particulars of the interview between Mr. Booth and President Johnson—whether they met as strangers or in what other manner?

A. From the familiarity of the greeting, I should judge that they had frequently met, and were familiar friends. When he came in they shook hands, with the usual salutations of friends.

Q. How long did you stay?

A. Not over five minutes after Mr. Booth came in. I left with the two boys, leaving Mr. Booth and President Johnson together.

Q. Had you seen Booth before?

A. Once on the stage—more frequently at the Kirkwood and Metropolitan hotels; and he had been pointed out to me, though I had never been introduced to him.

Q. Did you see Booth at the Kirkwood House at any time before the assassination, and if so, how long?

A. I saw him, I think, on the 12th of April. He came in. I was sitting there. He inquired at the desk of the office if President Johnson was in. He was told that he was not. He then said that he wanted to see him on private business, and went away without further remark.

Q. On the evening of the 4th of March, after the speech of Vice President Johnson in the Senate chamber, did you call upon him at the Metropolitan? If so, state all the occurrences of that interview, giving all that was said by both of you as exactly as possible.

A. I called there, I think, between five and six, and immediately upon entering the room I said to President Johnson, who was lying upon the bed, "Great God, Governor, you have ruined yourself and the party!" President Johnson raised himself upon his elbow and said: "By God, I will straighten myself out and make myself fit before the close of my administration. Mr. Blair has been here and invited me to go up to his house, which I intend to do on Monday. Burnside (servant) go down to the bar and get me some whiskey." I then left the room.

Q. How certain are you of the words "my administration?" Was your attention called to them in the manner in which they were said, or from any other cause, so that you can be certain of the exact words?

A. I am certain of the words, and my attention was called to them by the very emphatic manner of the President.

Q. Did you call on President Johnson while he was at Mr. Hooper's house, corner of Fifteenth and H streets? If so, state what was said respecting the next Presidency.

A. I was, and roomed at 432 13th street, and boarded at the Kirkwood House.

Q. How soon after President Johnson arrived in Washington did you see him?

A. I did call on him at Mr. Hooper's house, I think, on the night of the 6th of May, 1865—Sabbath evening. In the course of the conversation I re-

marked: "Governor, you look tired. Being President is hard work and small thanks, isn't it?" He replied: "Yes; particularly when a man is lifted into it on another man's coat tail." He stopped a moment, as if in thought, and continued: "The man who gets the McClellan vote, with the anti-negro suffrage vote of the republican party, will get the southern vote, and that will elect the next President."

A correspondent of the St. Paul *Press*, signing himself "O," writes as follows concerning Winnebago City, and the Homestead Settlers. The letter is written from Owatonna, under date of July 29. He says:—

"Stopping over" at Winnebago City Friday night, afforded me an opportunity to see the people of this stirring village and note their improvements. Winnebago, as all well-posted Minnesotans know, is the fast and steadfast rival in Faribault county of Blue Earth City. The people of the two places have been fighting since the first settlements were made, and will probably continue to fight it out on that line in all time to come, as to which is the place for people to invest and settle in and stake their everlasting earthly hopes and prospects for the future.—Blue Earth is the county seat, but Winnebago has the Land Office, and both think they have the Southern Minnesota railroad. Time must decide this latter point, but Winnebago is certainly holding fair pace with her rival in the way of enterprise and improvements. One thing is very certain, she has the best kept hotel in the country south of Mankato; and everybody knows this goes a great way with strangers. Besides, her improvements are steady and permanent. Her new school building is certainly one of the finest edifices in the State, and a monument to the good taste, enterprise and intelligence of her citizens.

A ride of fifty miles or more on Saturday in an open conveyance gave me a fine opportunity of seeing the country. And along this route through Faribault county one sees the grand results already of the Homestead Law, one of the first great measures for which the people are indebted to the ascendancy of the Republican party in Congress. No great expansion of our rich prairies is here held by cormorant speculators; but on almost every quarter section we find a well improved farm, with fine growing crops, comfortable dwellings, multitudes of cattle and other domestic animals, churches, school houses, and in short everything that goes to show prosperity, happiness and future wealth and worldly independence. And it is most astonishing to see the progress these people have made in about two or three years—about the date of the oldest homestead settler. Overcoming all obstacles, including the petty annoyances of officers who have attempted to extort taxes from them illegally, these enterprising homestead people have converted a waste prairie into an agricultural paradise in a space of time so short, that the hand of magic almost appears to have been present. And besides having broad acres of abundant crops in process of maturing, the present season, the homestead men have done an amount of breaking and fencing this year, that will about double the breadth of cultivation next year. In fact, it may be mentioned in this connection, that an immense quantity of new land has been broken the present season, everywhere along the route I have traveled.

The New York Herald's correspondent in Canada says: Certain parties in Canada, who are supposed to know, state the conspiracy for the abduction of President Lincoln started in the South as early as 1863, and that Col. Percy Windham, who commanded a regiment in and about Washington had at one time agreed to deliver up the President and his cabinet at Richmond, and would probably have done so if he had not been suddenly removed.

Indiana has \$1,200,000 in her treasury.

Southeners are buying land and settling in British Honduras.

New Orleans is very dry; they use 3,000 kegs of lager beer daily.

Imperial soldiers are going from Mexico into the Brazilian service.

The first cargo of Lake Superior lumber has reached Milwaukee.

## LOCAL AFFAIRS

WINNEBAGO CITY, August 7, 1867.

### LITTLE SERVICES

**Congregational**—Services every Sabbath in the new School House, at 11 o'clock A. M., and at 6 o'clock P. M.

Rev. E. W. MERRILL, Pastor.

**Baptist**—Services every alternate Sabbath in the Baptist Church, at 11 o'clock A. M., and three Sundays in each month at 7 o'clock P. M.

Rev. J. C. STILLMAN, Pastor.

**Methodist**—Services every alternate Sabbath in the Baptist Church, at 11 o'clock A. M., and one Sunday in each month at 7 o'clock P. M.

Rev. A. S. CHUBBUCK, Pastor.

The frame of Mr. C. S. Kimball's new Hotel is raised, and looks so well that it prompted the following "Toast," by J. M.:

Here is a fine frame,  
Built in a fine place;  
May God bless the man,  
And all of his race,  
He has built up the new;  
Now see what a man  
With his money can do.

The Hotel when completed will be a fine addition to this City.

We are under obligations to "W. E. C." for copies of the Weekly Missouri Democrat.

The best ever brought into Faribault County, and less than one barrel of Transparent Syrup left at R. M. Wilson's.

All who are interested in the establishment of a Base Ball Club in Winnebago City are requested to meet at R. M. Wilson's store on Saturday, Aug. 10th, at 1 o'clock P. M.

"we tquin & o shill do most of Ocr & wn setiNg tY? hevrafor—  
Printer's ma talk enot it's bEing difficult to se tpe, bu! We dOn't experienE much dificultY;

The Rural Minnesotian made its appearance on the 29th of last month. It is edited by Dr. Thomas Foster, and published in St. Paul. Price \$2.00 a year. It gives evidence of spice and radicalism in all things.

F. Harlow, the enterprising Real Estate Agent of Winnebago, left town on Saturday last for a visit to the home of his nativity, in Oxford Co., Maine. During his absence the business of his office will be in charge of H. M. Huntington.

**Lady's Summer Cloaks** will not be found at Wilson's after the present stock is sold. The few now on hand are marked below the first cost, and will be disposed of rapidly, and for less money than the same articles can be obtained for elsewhere.

A business man in Winnebago City said to us a day or two since, "Do not insert my Advertisement until I get something to sell; but charge me for it regularly, whether it is published or not." Comment is unnecessary, but can a printer ever forget such a man?

**LADY'S HATS**.—A fine lot of Lady's Summer Hats are now offered for sale at ruinously low prices at Wilson's, in Winnebago City. Mr. Sergeant informs us that he is about to abandon that branch of his trade, and will positively dispose of his entire stock of hats, without regard to cost. If you wish a good bargain, call early, and get a good summer hat, at about your own price.

Publishers in Minnesota will do well to make the acquaintance of the Messrs. WATT Brothers, Advertising Agents, 126 Dearborn St. Chicago, Ill. These gentlemen have adopted a very agreeable "style" of paying country printers in advance, for the Ads. they send.—*Chattfield Democrat*.

Good! We are ready to swear eternal enmity to each and every foreign advertisement that is not paid for in cash, quarterly in advance, so soon as the Minnesota Press will banish the whole beggarly list.

Three weeks since we recorded the drowning of young Niles, stating the circumstances as received from a citizen of Fairmount. A few days ago we received a letter from Mr. C. H. Read, a friend of the deceased, requesting some corrections, which are cheerfully made.

The letter says:—"Sylvanus G. Niles was drowned in Fox Lake, twelve miles west of Fairmount, on Wednesday, the 26th of June, while attempting to come from the west end of the lake. He was seen when about half way down the lake, the wind blowing very hard at the time. We looked for the body, but did not discover it until the Sunday following, when it washed ashore. There was a slight mark on the side of his face and ear which might have been caused by the upsetting of the boat. He was a good swimmer, but probably had no chance to swim."

If you wish to write poetry, study the writings of the best poets, such as Milton, Shakespeare, Dryden, Pope, &c. The ancients said, "Poeta nascitur, non fit," that is, a poet must be born a poet, not manufactured." Poetry is got up like steam, and like steam, when cooled, it runs all to water. This is the age of wishy-washy, mamby-pamby stuff, which is insolently called poetry.

**MINNENEOPA FALLS TO BE SOLD.**—The above-named falls is owned by Hon. D. C. Evans, of South Bend, who is now in correspondence with eastern parties, who contemplate purchasing them and forty acres adjoining, with the intention of erecting suitable houses and making other improvements for the accommodation of visitors as a place of resort. Two different parties are in correspondence with Mr. Evans, and we hope that he may effect a sale for the purpose intended, for no more popular place of resort could be found in the State.—*Mankato Record*.

Every School Teacher in our State should have *The Minnesota Teacher* and *Journal of Education*.

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**EXTRAORDINARY CASUALTY.**—A horrible scene has just occurred at the yard of the Minnesota Central. An engine had been reversed on the turntable and was bucking down the track, near the Cataract street crossing. A number of people were passing at the time, and one of our most valued citizens was caught by the tender, and the heavy engine wheels passed lengthwise over the prostrate form. The name of the sufferer was T. Rail.—*Minneapolis Correspondent St. Paul Press*.

What is the need of importing English iron, so long as the *wrought iron* men of Minneapolis answer every purpose? Now that the discovery has been made, we shall look for rapid progress on the Northern Pacific Railway.

PITTSBURGH, SEPTEMBER 4, 1866.  
*Messrs. Hutton & Smith,*  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Yours, gratefully,  
WILLIAM MILLER.

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General stage office. Good stabling, and reasonable charges.

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E. H. HUTCHINS.

Winnebago City, May 25, 1866.

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## TAILOR !

Blue Earth City, Minnesota,

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at all times, prepared to do all work intrusted to him, in the late New York Fashions, or to suit the customer.

Most kinds of country produce wanted for work Cutting done on short notice, and warranted to fit if properly made up.

For more refinement and social grace.

If, of all words of tongue and pen,  
The saddest are, "it might have been,"

More sad are those we daily see,  
"It is, but hadn't ought to be."

—*same in various vers.*

Grim-bearded youth, that hollers with Lewie-lees,

On those poor fallen by too much faith in man,

Set upon thy frowning threshold lies,

Starred to more stinging by thy savage ban-

Sacking that refuge because foulest vice,

More godlike than thy virtue is, whose span

Shuts o'er the wretched who is—*is more free*

Turner Heaven than thou wilt ever be!—[Lowell.]

—*"Nathan" on New England.*

The difference between the East and the West is not only great in length of miles, but the distinctive features of each are so strongly marked, as unavoidably to strike the observing man as he passes through either portion.—The East is old; the West is young; the East is in its dotage, while the West is just emerging from short dresses and dompling its first red top boots. The East is contented to move slowly leaning on its staff, while the West throws aside its cane and leaps obstacles, rather than crawl over them.—The East is consumptive and asthmatic, the West ruddy with health, and with lungs where shouting makes the nation echo. The East makes money, and keeps it,—the West makes more and spends more. The West thinks, decides, and then acts. The East thinks, decides, and then consults its neighbors. In a word, the East, noble and grand though her memory be, is hemmed in by hills and tilled by old men, while the West glories in the boundless freedom of a vast expanse, reaching from the Niagara to the Rocky Mountains, and is tilled by the young. The West is almost entirely composed of young men.

Our merchants, our farmers, our teachers, our bankers, our lawyers, our doctors, our editors, our preachers, as a class, are all young men. Go about among the active business portion of the West and you will find a remarkable lack of hoary hairs upon the heads of those you meet. They are not here; the old men do not come West. Now and then some one who has a large family and limited means comes out upon our prairies to "give his boy a start," when he knows that in a few years his snowy head must lie down away from early friends and early home, but as a general rule, such are but few—they cannot keep up, to say nothing of keeping out of the way. There is too much life, too much hurry, too much young life for old blood, and the old business man of the east, always accustomed to pay so much and get so much the year round, would find that he must here dip his ear with the rest, or else tie up to a tree along the bank as he watches the rest go by, and "guesses" how long it will be before he'll have to go

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WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

AUGUST 14, 1867.

Republican District Convention.

The Republicans of the 20th Legislative District are requested to meet in Convention at Fairmount, in Martin County, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of October, next, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for representative, to be chosen in the ensuing election, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Convention. Counties will be entitled to one delegate for each 1000 votes cast for Mr. Windom at the last general election, as follows:—Fairbank, 10, Martin 3, Jackson 1.

A. C. HAND,

A. BONWELL,

District Central Committee.

August 7th, 1867.

Republican State Convention.

The Union electors of the State of Minnesota are hereby called upon to meet in Delegate Convention at Ingersoll's Hall, St. Paul, on Wednesday, at 12 o'clock M., the 11th of September, 1867, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer and Attorney General, to be elected at the ensuing election in November next; the apportionment of delegates is as follows:

Anoka	1	Monongalia	1
Benton	1	Morrison	1
Blue Earth	5	Mower	2
Brown	1	Nicollet	3
Carver	3	Olmsted	8
Crow Wing	1	Pine Tail	1
Cottonwood	1	Pine	1
Dakota	7	Pope	1
Dodge	3	Ramsey	9
Fairbank	2	Redwood	1
Fillmore	9	Renville	2
Freeman	1	Rice	6
Groveland	1	Rochester	1
Hennepin	8	Steens	2
Houston	1	Sherburne	2
Isoanti	1	Sibley	2
Jackson	1	Stearns	3
Kandiyohi	1	Todd	1
Lake	1	Wabasha	6
Lane	1	Washington	4
Linn	1	Watonwan	1
Martin	1	Winona	8
McLeod	1	Wright	3
Meeker	1	Willie Lee	1

Delegates from unorganized counties not named will be subject to the action of the Convention.

THOS. FOSTER, Chmn. THOMAS STURGEON,  
H. E. MANN, Pres. F. SMITH,  
W. B. MITCHELL,  
Republican State Committee.

St. Paul, July 18, 1867.

A call for the County Convention will soon be issued. We hope that in the selection of Delegates to this Convention, only those will be chosen who favor the renomination of Governor Marshall and Secretary Rogers for the respective offices they now so honorably fill. Two months since we avowed a decided preference for Gov. Marshall, urging his temperance, his gentlemanly qualities, and the interest he had manifested in relieving the destitute of the State. Now we believe no better man can be found to fill the position of Secretary of State, than Col. H. C. Rogers. He has faithfully executed the trust reposed in him, is a popular man, social and obliging, and as a reward for true merit, the place is his due.

Each of these gentlemen have labored earnestly, and successfully for the growth and prosperity of Minnesota. Men of mature judgement and thoroughly honest, we confidently look for their renomination and election.

Andrew Johnson is a bitter enemy of Secretary Stanton, and Secretary Stanton despises Andrew Johnson. These officials are just now enjoying a free fight. The one is backed by Congress, and the other by the devil.

"Clack! clack! whip and spur!  
Sang Billy the wisp of the wind;  
Oh! when the wind is fair before  
The devil may drive behind."

The President has requested the Secretary to resign, which he politely refused to do. This refusal so enraged Andy that after consultation with his backers, Stanton was informed that he would no longer be recognized as Secretary of War. The Tenure of Office Bill grows big in the eyes of the Tailor, and the Secretary coolly watches the infernal machinations of a chance President to thwart the best wishes of loyal millions. The end is not yet.

PURCHASE OF THE SANDWICH ISLANDS.—Our Government is said to be negotiating for the purchase of these islands, which are of great consequence on the Pacific. The people of the Pacific States are anxious for their annexation, and prominent men are in Washington from that region urging it. The inhabitants of the islands are said to favor our government.

It was recently reported that Thaddeus Stevens was dead. This is not true. He has only been dubbed L. D. by a University.

## General Grant.

The following is by the correspondent of the Boston Journal: "He has kept very quiet since he has been in New York. He dislikes parade and attention. He says he never gets into a carriage on great occasions, when crowds surround him and shout his name, but what, mingling with the pageant, are the groans of the wounded, the sick boys in the hospital, and the dead and dying on the battle-field. He has two or three cozy nooks in New York, into which he retires with a few friends to enjoy a confidential chat. He is very peculiar in his habits. It is said he has not drunk a glass of spirits since he was appointed Lieutenant General. He is breaking himself of his inordinate use of cigars, sensible that in the inaction of peace the custom hurts his health. Nobody can get anything out of him by asking questions. He seldom answers any that are put to him; but if left to himself he will talk freely, clearly and fully on public matters. Since he has been in New York on this visit he has spent hours in friendly conversation. To all matters touching the Presidency he makes but one reply. He hopes he never shall leave the army. That when his active service is over he shall still be connected with the corps he loves so well. He is not without his solicitude in regard to public events. He considers matters more critical than before the surrender of Lee. Some one said to him, "General Grant, we do not know what is before us, but as long as you are at the head of the army the country feels safe, for it has undiminished confidence in you. Your death or removal from the army would not only be a national calamity, but would shake the national confidence as well nigh produce a revolution." Gen. Grant said nothing, but his eyes moistened with tears—a degree of emotion he seldom exhibits."

A London letter writer, speaking of the present undress fashion, reports that bodices are becoming more and more *discusses* until they nearly cease to exist. In some cases they are merely a broad band, like that worn by infants of tender years, by which "everything is displayed in front, and nothing concealed behind." A narrow strap—sometimes only a gold cord over the shoulders—supplies the place of sleeves, and keeps the infantine band in position, while quantities of necklaces are supposed to furnish all the covering which modesty demands. A clever caricature is going the rounds of fashionable circles, representing the emotion caused by the sudden giving way of the fragile strap, which alone keeps in its place the bodice of a ball-room belle.

*Apropos* of the above, is the following bit at the present tightness in male fashions:—(Jones has been telling Robinson one of his splitting stories.) Robinson—"Ya'as—it's very funny!" Jones—"Then why the d—d don't you laugh?" Robinson—"My dear fellow, I would with pleasure, but I d—n't display any emotion—these trousers are so tremendously tight!"

## Dr. Livingstone's Fate.

The arrival of the steamship Dutchland from Bremen, at New York on the 10th, brings dispatches from Dr. Seward, the British Consul at Zanzibar, which reached London on the 6th. The consul inclines to the belief that Dr. Livingstone is yet alive, and details many circumstances which give grounds, at all events, for hope. The Governor of Keelwa has addressed a letter to the Sultan, in which he expresses himself confident that Mr. Livingstone is not dead, and asks his Highness whether further inquiry into the interior is necessary.

The first Convention to revise the State Constitution of New York—1777—sat forty six days. The second—1801—fourteen days. The third—1821—seventeen four days. The fourth—1846—one hundred and thirty days. This the fifth, will probably last two or three months.

The testimony in the Surratt trial has closed. The jury are still out, and are reported to stand nine for conviction, and three for acquittal. A plot to rescue him from jail has been nipped in the bud.

Good out of Nazareth, the latest news by steamer says Francis Joseph of Austria, is reported to have declared, on hearing of the execution of his brother Maximilian, he would never again sign a death warrant.

Three brothers, the eldest of whom is not over twelve years old, living near Harmon's Station, on the Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railroad, have been in the habit of lying between the ties of the road and incurring the terrible risk of having a train pass over them at full speed. They repeated this recently, at said east, with the passenger train run by Conductor George Drain. This train, out from Cincinnati, was running along at the usual speed, when the engineer happened to discover the three little human forms curled up in holes between the ties, just as the engine was within a few yards of them. There was no chance to stop the train until it had passed over them, and proceeded some distance further. The officers of the train then returned to the spot and found the three children terribly bruised. All had broken limbs and one of them had his head mashed in such a terrible manner as to make his recovery a matter of doubt. It seems that in selecting their nests they had not calculated correctly as to depth, and that the break-box had caught them. They are children of Mr. John Bouse.

The New York *Ledger* for August 10th, No 24, will publish the first installment of the life of Horace Greeley, written by himself. Bonner is bound to keep the *Ledger* at the head of the list of literary papers. He employs, employs regardless of expense, the best talent the world can produce. We have been a reader of the *Ledger* for years, and of the many good stories and sketches there is not one in which characters are so truthfully, plainly and quaintly delineated as in the story by Henry Ward Beecher, entitled *Norwood* or *Village Life in New England*.

A young gentleman of Virginia has contrived a new way to kill time—a little pastime which he calls "ily loo." This game, according to a Lynchburg paper, may be played by any reasonable number of persons. The players' names are written on pieces of paper, and a lump of sugar on each. Then begins the eager excitement of waiting for a fly to light, and when it does so, the name of the player under which the sugar has attracted the fly has to treat all around.

Dexter, the famous trotter, was sold in 1864 for \$400, and made his first public appearance on the Fashion Course May 4, of that year, when he won a purse of \$100, defeating Stonewall Jackson and Gen. Grant. Since then he has won \$50,000 for his owners, and been sold for \$14,000. His winnings this year already amount to \$11,000.

There is a boy in Minnesota, twelve years old, whose legs are only ten inches long and are without bones.

There is a vase in the Paris Exposition valued at \$2,800,000. It is made from a single turquoise.

The remaining portion of Table Rock was blown away from the main rock a short time ago by a blast of two hundred pounds of powder.

The Independent says Mr. Beecher has stopped preaching for the summer and has gone to Peekskill to sit under his old apple tree and to finish "Norwood."

Queen Victoria has nominated the Prince of Wales to be a knight of the Most Ancient Order of the Thistle. He has for some years been a thorn in her side.

A large meteor was recently seen in Wisconsin, which, after traversing an arc of forty degrees, burst into three glowing balls, exhibiting the national colors—the red, white and blue.

A citizen of Washington claims that after devoting years to the subject of aerial navigation, he has perfected a plan by which he can transport passengers and mails from Washington to New York in three hours. All he now requires is money.

Rainbeaux, whose horse received the pistol destined for the Czar at Paris, has not only received a Russian and a French order for knighthood, but he is to get the title of nobility, and his wife has been presented with £12,000 worth of diamonds by the Empress of Russia.

Miss Jennie Rupert, aged about sixteen years, daughter of Mr. Samuel Rupert, of Henderson, Pa., died under distressing circumstances a few days ago. While eating her supper, a piece of glass found its way into her food, and lodging in her throat, baffled all medical skill to remove it.

## LIST OF PREMIUMS

To be awarded by the Faribault County Agricultural Society, at its Eighth Annual Fair, to be held at Blue Earth City on Wednesday and Thursday, 25th and 26th days of September, 1867:

### CLASS A—HORSES.

Best 4 year old Stallion or over	\$3 00
2d do do do	2 00
3d do do do	Diploma
Best 3 year old Stallion or over	3 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best 2 year old Stallion or over	1 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best brood Mare	3 00
3d do do do	Diploma
Best 3 year old Mare	2 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best 2 year old Mare	1 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best sucking Colt	1 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best saddle horse	1 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best bull	2 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best cow	2 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best one year old heifer	1 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best bull calf	50
2d do do do	Diploma
Best heifer calf	50
2d do do do	Diploma
Best working oxen 4 years old and older	2 00
2d do do do	Diploma
Best pair steers under 4 years old	1 00
2d do do do	Diploma

Judges—John Dean, F. F. Harlow, W. D. Dunne.

### CLASS K—FLOWERS.

Best bouquet cultivated flowers	25
do bouquet with flowers	25
do bouquet with all cultivated flowers	25
do the largest collection of flowers of different varieties	25

Judges—Miss E. D. Gano, Miss L. Hazleton, Mrs. A. Soror, Miss J. Franklin, Miss I. Gouldnow.

### CLASS L—EQUESTRIENNE.

Best lady rider	2 00
2d do do do	1 00
3d do do do	Diploma
Best 2 year old Mare	1 00
2d do do do	Diploma

Judges—F. F. Harlow, Elias South, M. A. Strong.

### CLASS M—FRUIT.

Best specimen cherry	50
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WINNEBAGO CITY, August 14, 1867.

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"He that was dead, sat up and began to speak." See advertisement.

The weather has thus far been very favorable for haying, and large quantities have already been secured.

Rev. Henry Cooper, of Blue Earth City, will occupy the pulpit of Rev. E. W. Merrill, in this place, next Sabbath morning; Rev. Mr. Merrill going to Blue Earth.

Winnebago City only forty-five miles from a Railroad! The Wilton News thinks the cars will be running to Winona near Clear Lake by the 20th inst.

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Apparently following in the path of the moon, a bright "particular star," of more than ordinary magnitude, nightly shines with a pale yellow hue in the Southern sky. It is the planet Saturn, with the flattened side of its rings turned toward the earth. Astronomers say the rings do not appear in this manner oftener than once in fifteen years, and that the distance between the planet and the inner ring is 21,000 miles, and that the breadth of the latter is 20,000. The object of the rings is to reflect (gas?) light on the Saturnites.

The following officers of Winnebago City Lodge, No. 11, I. O. of G. T., were regularly installed last Friday evening by T. L. Rice, G. W. G. T.:

S. D. Potter, W. C. T.  
Armenia Summer, W. V. T.  
J. E. Caldwell, P. W. C. T.  
Emily Richardson, W. Sec.  
Hannah Lewis, W. T.  
T. L. Rice, W. F. S.  
John Coggrave, W. M.  
Emma Rhodes, W. I. G.  
Geo. M. Potter, W. O. G.  
Mary Stanton, W. R. H. S.  
Ella Hendrick, W. L. H. S.  
E. H. Hutchings, W. A. Sec.  
Inez Goodnow, W. A. M.

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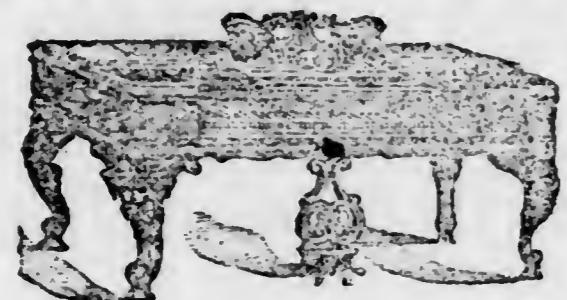
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My pupil, Sarah, as you ask

A line, the "Prof." will name a "task."

Study thy sex's fair ideal,

And then display a fairer real.

Oh lesson hard! oh lesson high!

Long is the way—the way, the sky.

Wouldst thou that happy mount ascend?

The "school of goodness," then, attend.

A pupil be from youth to age,

Virtue the teacher, Truth the page,

I give a model. Please to mind it,

Then, in a worthy life, transcend it.

Heart pure and spotless, bold and

A soul courageous, but not bold;

To self-respectful to be proud;

A tongue too gaudy to be bold;

A voice attuned to play's tones;

An ear awake to sorrow's moan;

A smile that warms where it rests,

Still blushing pale, yet by its blush;

A hand whose grace abounds;

Large eyes, clear as diamonds,

An eye that beams calm, deep and bright;

With thought's serene and starry light;

A fancy bright as sunset cloud;

A mind with solid sense endued,

And rich with rare and glowing sense;

Cleaned long from every age and shore,

Edging quite the toad shell.

Of diamond bright and emerald green.

She is a true jewel in these just six,—

(As is my wot,

# THE HOMESTEAD

WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

AUGUST 21, 1867.

Republican State Convention.

The Union electors of the State of Minnesota are hereby called upon to meet in Delegate Convention at Ingessell's Hall, St. Paul, on Wednesday, at 12 o'clock M., the 11th of September, 1867, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer and Attorney General, to be elected at the ensuing election in November next; The apportionment of delegates is as follows:

Anoka	1	Menomonia	1
Benton	1	Morrison	1
Blue Earth	5	Mower	2
Brown	1	Pope	1
Carver	3	Ramsey	1
Crow Wing	1	Redwood	1
Chisago	1	Rice	1
Dakota	7	Renville	1
Douglas	1	Riley	1
Earthquake	3	Ryan	1
Fairborn	1	Sibley	1
Fredonia	2	St. Louis	1
Gooding	8	Steens	2
Hennepin	9	Scott	1
Houston	4	Sherburne	1
Isoquoit	1	Sibley	1
Jackson	1	Stearns	1
Kandiyohi	1	Wabasha	1
Lake	1	Waseca	2
Le Sueur	4	Washington	2
Linn	1	Watonwan	1
Martin	1	Wilmar	1
McLeod	1	Wright	1
Mille Lacs	1		

Delegates from unorganized counties not named will be subject to the action of the Convention.

THOS. FOSTER, CHRM.

E. M. MANN,

W. B. MITCHELL,

Republican State Committee.

St. Paul, July 18, 1867.

Republican County Convention.

The Republican Electors of Faribault County are requested to meet in Delegate Convention at Blue Earth City, on Saturday, August 31st, 1867, at 11 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of choosing two Delegates to represent the County in the State Convention to be held at St. Paul the 20th day of September, and ten delegates to the 20th Senatorial District Convention to be held at Fairmount, Wednesday, October 2d, 1867.

The various towns will be entitled to one delegate to every fifty votes cast at the last General Election for Mr. Wm. Windom, and one for every fraction of Twenty-five or more, as follows:

Winnebago City	2	Joe Daviss...	1
Guthrie	1	Blue Earth City	2
Linn	1	Emerson	1
Montgomery Lakes	1	Brule Creek	1
Dunbar	1	Benton	1
Verona	1	Pilot Grove	1
Present	1	Elmore	2
Barber	1	Sedgeley	1
Wa'nut Lake	1		

G. D. MCARTHUR,  
Chairman of County Committee.

Republican District Convention.

The Republicans of the 20th Legislative District are requested to meet in Convention at Martin County, on Wednesday, the 2d of September, 1867, at 11 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Senator, to be supported at the ensuing election, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention. Counties will be entitled to one delegate for each 100 votes cast for Mr. Windom at the last general election, as follows:—Faribault 10, Martin 3, Jackson 1.

A. C. HANLON,  
A. BONWELL,  
District Central Committee.

August 7th, 1867.

Republican Caucus.

The Republican electors of the town of Winnebago, are requested to meet in Caucus, in Moulton's Hall, Saturday, the 24th day of August, 1867, at 12 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of choosing two delegates to the County Convention, to be held in Blue Earth City on the 31st inst. By order of Committee.

THOMAS GEORGE, Chairman,  
JAMES CRAVEN,  
J. L. CHRISTIE.

Winnebago City, Aug. 21st, 1867.

On Sunday evening last, Hon. John Wentworth, ex-Member of Congress from Chicago, met with a serious accident by being thrown from a buggy. Mr. Wentworth was alone in the vehicle, when one of the wheels struck a pile of gravel, overturning the equipage and fracturing the left leg of Mr. Wentworth. The injured gentleman was removed to the Tremont House, and is being attended by good physicians. The patient is to remain strapped on a board for two months, in order to secure his complete recovery.

Complaint was made at police headquarters, in Washington, on the 15th inst. that Bradley had challenged Judge Fisher in violation of the anti-dueling law passed by Congress Feb. 20th, 1839. Bradley was consequently arrested and brought before Justice Walker, and gave bail in \$2,000 to appear at the next term of the criminal court for trial.

The Seneca Co. (N. Y.) Courier is out in favor of Gen. Grant for President, and Gov. Fenton, of N. Y., for Vice President.

From the Chicago Post.

## THE SURRETT TRIAL.

*The Jury Fail to Agree and are Discharged—Exchanging Seats Between Judge Fisher and Bradley.*

WASHINGTON, August 10.—At one o'clock the prisoner was brought into the Court room. He seemed in good spirits. Judge Fisher resumed his seat, the usher called the Court to order, and Marshal Phillips was directed to call the jury down.

By this time the Court room was densely crowded. The jury was brought in at eight minutes past one, and the foreman stated that they had been unable to agree. The Judge read the following letter:

To the Hon. J. B. Fisher, Judge of the Criminal Court:

The jury in this case of the United States vs. John H. Surratt, most respectfully state that they stand precisely now as when they first balloted upon entering the room. They are nearly equally divided, and they are firmly convinced that they cannot possibly make a verdict. We deem it our duty to the Court and country, and in view of the condition of our private affairs and the situation of our families and the fact that the health of several of our members is becoming seriously impaired under prolonged confinement, to make this statement, and ask your honor to dismiss us at once.

Most respectfully submitted.

(Signed by all the jury.)

After some conversation Judge Fisher ordered their discharge.

Judge Fisher rose and read the following:

I have now a very unpleasant duty to discharge, but one which I cannot forgo. On the 2nd day of the trial of John H. Surratt for the murder of Abraham Lincoln, immediately after the Court had taken a recess, until the following morning, as the presiding Judge was descending from the Bench, James H. Bradley accosted him in a rude and insulting manner, charging the Judge with having offered him (Bradley) a series of insults from the bench on the commencement of the trial, and the Judge disclaimed any intention whatever of passing any insult, and assured Mr. Bradley that he had entertained no other feeling but that of respect. Mr. Bradley, so far from accepting this explanation or disclaimer, thereupon threatened the Judge with personal chastisement, as he understood him. No Court can administer justice, or live, if its Judges are to be threatened with personal violence on all occasions, whenever the irascibility of counsel may be excited by imaginary insult. The offence of Mr. Bradley is one which even his years will not palliate. It cannot be overlooked or go unpunished as a contempt of Court. It is therefore ordered that his name be stricken from the roll of attorneys practicing in this Court.

Mr. Bradley immediately arose and asked if the Court had adjourned.

Judge F.—It has not.

Mr. B.—Then, sir, in the presence of the Court and assembly, I hereby pronounce the statement just made by the Judge as utterly false in every particular.

Judge F. (interrupting)—Crier, adjourn the Court.

The Crier—This Court is now adjourned.

Mr. B.—Well, then, I will say now.

Judge F., rising to leave the bench—You can say what you please, and make a speech to the crowd if you like.

Bradley—You have no authority to dismiss me from the bar. That must be the act of three of the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Judge F.—Very well, Mr. Bradley, you can make the proper appeal.

Immediately after leaving the Court Judge F. proceeded to the street and entered a car, and was followed closely by Bradley, who entered the car, and stepping up to the Judge handed him a note. Judge F. took the note, opened and began to read. Mr. B. turned and left the car around which an excited crowd had gathered. It is understood that the note was a challenge.

Several policemen sprang into the car, and Officer McHenry stepped to the side of Bradley and kept in that position while he remained in the car.

Leaving the car Bradley passed passed through the crowd and entered his office, followed by several friends belonging to the bar. A large crowd immediately gathered on the corner in front of his office. After remaining in his

office a few minutes, Bradley came out arm in arm with his brother, and went down Louisiana avenue, followed by a crowd of friends and curious persons, who excitedly discussed the proceedings just transpired.

Meantime Judge Fisher resumed his seat in the car, and continued the perusal of the note while the car moved off. A number of his personal friends had entered the car, and a great deal of apprehension was manifested of a personal encounter between the Judge and the deposed lawyer.

The order of Judge Fisher in dismissing Bradley has created the most intense excitement among all classes. The police are preserving order. Members of the bar are generally bitter in their denunciation of the Judge, and have called a meeting for Monday morning. They seem to make common cause against the Judge, whom they declare has disgraced himself by using his official power to resent a personal assault.

Surratt was remanded to the custody of the Marshal and returned to jail.

During the entire retirement of the jury they remained as follows:

On the verdict for conviction—Todd, Barr, Schneider and McLean—4

For acquittal—Davis, Berry, Ball, Bohemier, Alexander, Torsell, Getting and Birth—8.

There is respectable authority for stating that the jury disagreed on the absence of Surratt from Washington at the time of the assassination of the late President and that they were entirely agreed upon the point that had he been indicted for conspiracy he would have been convicted immediately on their retiring to their room.

It is said by gentlemen who have seen the communication handed by Bradley to Judge Fisher that it first refers to the affair in the court room early in July, and quotes the expression attributed to Judge Fisher, Mr. Bradley knew where the Judge lived and that the latter would receive a communication from him at any time. It then stated that the writer could give but one interpretation to the declaration of Fisher. Referring to the misunderstanding between them, it suggested that the Judge should appoint an early day as convenient to meet Bradley outside the District for the purpose of settling their difficulty. Bradley further suggested in his communication that if they met within the District they might be interfered with.

The letter was dated July 6th, but was reserved until the conclusion of the trial.

## Good Stories.

Messrs. Ticknor & Fields, of Boston, have issued the initial number of Good Stories, under which title they propose to publish, in cheap and attractive form, a valuable collection of Short Stories, Tales, and Sketches.

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General Grant went to see the Black Crook, and also went behind the scenes.

Gen. Gilmore, postmaster at Chicago, was drowned on the 9th inst.

A Louisville lady was killed the other day by a bee-sting in the face.

Garibaldi is renewing preparations for an attack on Rome.

A Belgian physician thinks he can cure the wife of Maximilian of her insanity.

The Empress Eugenie made a private visit to Queen Victoria on the 22d ult.

## Johnson vs. Stanton.

The fight mentioned last week, as existing between the President and the Secretary of war, has resulted in the suspension of the latter, and the substitution of Gen. Grant. There seems to be an agitation in the Cabinet which portends no good to the chance President. The following dispatches are under date of August 12th:—The President, at 10 o'clock this morning, sent a communication to Hon. E. M. Stanton, suspending him from office as Secretary of War, and instructing him to transfer all records, books, &c., in his custody, to Gen. Grant. The Secretary of War was at the same time informed that Gen. Grant had been empowered to act as Secretary of War *ad interim*. A communication was at the same time sent General Grant, authorizing him to act as Secretary of War, *ad interim*, and directing him at once to enter on the duties of that office.

Shortly after noon Mr. Stanton

replied to a reply to the President, in which he denied that, without the consent of the Senate and without legal cause, the Executive had any right under the Constitution and laws

suspending him from office. Inasmuch as the Cabinet meeting to-day, for the purpose of considering certain questions connected with the territory recently acquired from Russia.

The Herald's Washington special says it is rumored there is to be a rupture between the President and Seward on the Stanton matter, and that the President will send Mr. Seward a polite note requesting his resignation.

It is also stated that Mr. Randall and Mr. McCulloch are not to be depended on in their fidelity to the Johnsonian policy, and the successors of all these gentlemen are talked of.

It has been stated that one of the causes of Stanton's refusal to resign is to frustrate a scheme to arm a military organization in the insurrectionary States, whose ultimate object is another rebellion. It is further stated that one cause of the trouble is that Mr. Stanton refused to equip a military company in Maryland composed of ex-rebels.

Alphonse Lopez, the betrayer of Maximilian, has met with the doom which in justice belongs to the coward and traitor. He has been assassinated.

The Emperor Napoleon has gone to Austria.

It is said that Tom Thumb has begun to grow. Poor Tom.

The playwrights are already engaged in a dramatization of Henry Ward Beecher's tale of "Norwood."

The rowing match between Brown and Hamill comes off at Newburg September 6th. Stakes \$2,000.

One of the female visitors at Saratoga appeared in seven different dresses on the first day of her arrival there.

Ira Aldridge, the celebrated negro tragedian died recently, while on a professional tour. He was under engagement to appear at New York.

A man in Oxford, Me., has built a summer house in the top of a huge willow tree, and connected it with the second story of his house by a lattice bridge.

One of the "Black Crook" nymphs at New York has sued her manager and lost her suit. Quilp suggests that if it was the suit she wore at the ball there was not much to lose.

John Madi jumped from the mast of a vessel at Brooklyn seventy feet into the river to decide a bet. The water was only twelve feet deep. He struck in the mud at the bottom and was drawn.

There is a rat catcher in Philadelphia who has 1,122 pairs of tongs. He undertakes to clear premises of rats vermin at the rate of twenty cents a head, and if any return after the first general clearing out they are to be captured free of charge. He caught four hundred large rats in the cellar of a small grocery store a few nights

**LOCAL AFFAIRS.**  
WINNEBAGO CITY, August 21, 1867.

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Rev. A. S. CHURBUCK, Pastor.

Next week Saturday, the Republican County Convention meets in Blue Earth City. See notice on second page.

Rev. A. B. Tomlinson, of Shakopee, will hold divine service at the Baptist Church in Winnebago City, on Sabbath next, at 11 o'clock A. M., and 5 P. M.

Rev. Charles Simeon, of St. Anthony, Minn., will preach in the Baptist church here this (Wednesday) evening, and will present the subject of "Northfield College." All classes of citizens are invited to attend.

Every Saturday for last week contains interesting articles on "Fashionable Tippling;" "Summer on the Spanish Frontier;" "Bullet Marks;" "A Dinner in the City;" "Mrs. Brown's Budget;" &c. & Price 10 cts. TICKNOR & FIELDS, Boston.

Some pieces of wheat, on corn ground, are severely injured by the blight, others very little, and a few not at all. Wheat on other ground seems to flatter the best hopes of farmers.—It is said that the crop of this County will average twenty-five bushels per acre.

In the State, according to the last report, there were 102,118 scholars.—Hon. M. H. Dunnell, Superintendent of Public Instruction, has just made the semi-annual division of the School Fund to the various counties of the State, on a basis of sixty-six cents to each scholar, by which Faribault Co. receives \$1,475.10.

ACCIDENTS.—Rev. E. Stillman recently met with a runaway accident, by which his right shoulder and leg were severely injured.

A son of James Myres, while attempting to climb on a wagon rack, became entangled in a rope, which was dragging behind, and broke his leg above the knee. Both cases were attended by Dr. J. P. Humes, of Winnebago, and are, we believe, doing well.

The party which Capt. Davy was taking from this State to Montana, has had trouble. On reaching Fort Ross, a council was called and Davy was deposed from the command and S. E. Smith, his "Adjutant General," was substituted, but resigned in disgust after a few days. A portion of the party have dropped out from time to time. Insufficiency of provisions was one cause of the difficulty, and incompetency on the part of Davy is alleged as another.—*Rochester Post*.

The first number of GOOD STORIES contains the following finely illustrated stories:—"The Avenger," by Thomas De Quincey; "Peter Goldthwaite's Treasure," by Nathaniel Hawthorne; "Love and Skates," by Theodore Winthrop; "The Defaulter," by Thomas Hood; "Coldstream," by Herbert Vaughan; "Madonna," by Henry Spicer.

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There has been a still further decline in prices, and quantities of new goods have just been received, and are offered at correspondingly low figures.

The motto of this store is "small profits and quick sales;" and so successful has been the practice of such democratic dealing, that in a few weeks Sergeant will be found in a large new building, where none deserve to be more than he.

Do not forget the Caucus next Saturday evening, and be on hand on time. Let every Republican elector remember that it is his duty to be present.

Rev. T. C. Eaton, of Des Moines, Iowa, will preach in the Baptist Church in this place, next Monday evening.

**THE LADY'S FRIEND.**—The Village Doctor, an expressive picture, is the title of this Steel Engraving in the September number of this popular magazine. A beautiful Steel Fashion Plate, with numerous other Engravings of the Fashions, follow, and the usual piece of popular Music, worth itself the price of the number. Among the Literary matter we have an article on "Skeleton Leaves, or the Phantom Bouquet," a fine story by Louise Chandler Moulton, "How a Woman had Her Way," "Orville College," "Dora Castel," "How to Make Wax Flowers," &c. We would suggest to our lady readers who desire to get a Wheeler & Wilson's Sewing Machine, that the "Lady's Friend" offers one of these machines as a Premium for Clubs of Thirty names, and that it is not a moment too soon to commence making up their lists for next year. A beautiful Steel Engraving will also be sent gratis to every single (\$2.50) subscriber, and to every person sending the usual club. Specimen numbers of the magazine will be sent for twenty cents.

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Wishing you every success, I remain  
Yours, gratefully,  
WILLIAM MILLER.

ROOMS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE TREATMENT OF PRISONERS OF WAR AND UNION CITIZENS.—  
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 17, 1867.

In pursuance of a series of resolutions passed by the House of Representatives, July 10th, 1867 the undersigned were appointed a committee to investigate the "Treatment of Prisoners of War and Union Citizens held by the Confederate authorities during the late rebellion."

All persons in possession of important information upon either of these subjects are earnestly requested to address the Committee, as directed below, stating:

First. The name, age, post office address of the writer.

Second. If a soldier or seaman, his rank or position, and with what command he served.

Third. A full statement of all facts known to the writer touching his own imprisonment or treatment, and that of others, either soldier or civilian, giving, as far as possible, names, places and dates, with names of Confederate officers in charge.

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Communications addressed to the members of the Committee will be free of postage.

It is the intention of the Committee to collect all facts necessary to make a thorough official history of the subject.

The various newspapers throughout the country are requested to give this Circular a gratuitous insertion, together with such notices as they may deem proper.

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" " 3d " " —JOHN R. SISSON,  
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Wind of this western sea,  
Low, low, breathe and blow,  
Wind of the western sea!  
Over the rolling waters go;  
Come from the dying moon, and blow,  
Blow him again to me;  
While my little one, while my pretty one, sleeps.

ALFRED TENISON.

JENNY KISSED ME.

Jenny kissed me when we met,  
Jumped from the chair she sat in;  
Says you think I love to get in;  
Swats from your list, put that in.  
Say I'm weary, say I'm sad;  
Say that health and wealth have missed me;  
Say I'm growing old, but add—  
Jenny kissed me!

LUCILLE HOWE.

WHAT A LITTLE BOY THOUGHT ABOUT THINGS.

I am a little boy about so many years old, don't know whether I'm a good little boy, but I'm afraid not, for I sometimes do wicked things, and once I cut sister's kitten's tail off with the chop-pin'-knife, and told her a big dog came along and bit it off and swallowed it down before poor Kitty could say Jack Robinson, and sister said she was sorry and it must have been a very naughty dog, but my mother didn't believe me and said she was afraid I had told a lie, and I'm afraid I had; so then she asked me if I knew where liars went to? and I said yes: that they went to New York and wrote for the newspapers; she said no—they went to the bad place where was nothing but a lake of fire and brimston', and she asked me if I would like to go there, and I said no! for I didn't think there'd be much skatin' and slidin' on that lake, and the boys couldn't snowball each other on shore, and she said it was more than that, just as though that wasn't bad enough, for I don't think they can play base ball neither; then she asked me if I wouldn't like to be an angel and have a harp, and I said No! I'd rather be a stage driver and have a big drum, for I couldn't play on other thing. So I shouldn't like to be a nangal, for their wings must be in the way when they go swimmin' and play tag and leap-frog; and besides it must be hard to fly, when one ain't used to it. But it would be jolly to be a stage driver and have a long whip and touch up the leaders, and say g'lang to the crowd about being rich and respectable, and goin' to Congress, and being President, and all that sort of thing, but I don't want to be President; there's Lincoln, he was President, and I guess he's sorry for it now, and there's Andy Johnson, I guess he doesn't like it much either, and a feller doesn't have to be respectable to be a Congressman, there's John Morrissey, he's made money, and he's gone to Congress, and he has nice curly hair, and nice clothes, and he don't do any work either, I shouldn't like to be a fighter like he is, for I shouldn't like to have my nose smashed as his is, for it looks just like my mother's big squash did after the cow bit a chunk out of it, but I should like to have nice curly hair, nice clothes and lots of money, and a cane, and have people look at me when I walk down the street, and we get a mine pie and a whole nat full of doughnuts, and they thought it was the cook that stole 'em, and sent her away the next day, and Bob said he was glad of it for she didn't make good pie, and the doughnuts wasn't fried enough, and sometimes I do swear, for I said by golly, the other day, and sister heard me, and she told mother, and mother said that there was a dreadful stage of sin, and brother Bob hollered and said that he guessed I was on it, and then she whipped us and sent us to bed without any supper, but I didn't care about supper, for they hadn't nothin' but bread and butter for tea, and Bob and I got up and he lifted me in at the pantry window, and we got a mine pie and a whole nat full of doughnuts, and they thought it was the cook that stole 'em, and sent her away the next day, and Bob said he was glad of it for she didn't make good pie, and the doughnuts wasn't fried enough, and sometimes I do swear, for I said by golly, the other day, and sister heard me, and when she asked me if I didn't think I was very wicked, I said I was afraid I was, and I was sorry for it, and then she would do so no more, and then she said I was a good little boy, and told me about George Washington who cut down the apple tree, and was caught at it, and he said he did it with his little hatchet, just as though I hadn't heard all about it before, and didn't always think he was a big stupid for cuttin' wood when they had a hired man about the house, and dullin' his little hatchet, and besides it would have been a great deal jollier to let the tree be so he could have stole the apples off in the fall. I don't care if he was the Father of his Country he wasn't smart, and I'll bet the boys in our school would cheat him out of his eye-

teeth swoppin' jack-knives, and could lick him and not hardly try, and I don't think he was very healthy either, for I never saw a good little boy that wasn't always sick and had the mumps and measles, and the scarlet fever, and wasn't a coughin' all the while, and hadn't to take castor oil and tar-water, and couldn't eat cherries, and didn't have to have his head patted till all the hair was rubbed off by everybody that came to his mother's, and be asked how old he was, and who died to save sinners, and what he had been studyin' at school, and how far he'd got, and lots of other conundrums, had to have his catechism, no, I shouldn't like to be a good little boy, I'd just as lief be a nangal and be done with it, but I don't think I ever shall be a good little boy, and other people don't think so too, for I wasn't never called a good little boy but once, and that was when Uncle John asked me where I stood in my class, and I told him I was next to the head, and he said that was right, and he gave me a quarter, and then he asked me how many boys there was in the class, and I said there was only two, myself and a little girl, and then he wanted me to give him back the quarter, and I would not, and he ran after me, and stumbled over a chair and broke his cane, and hurt himself, and he's been lame ever since, and I'm glad of it, for he isn't my father, and hasn't got any right to lick me, for I get enough of that to home, and the quarter wasn't a good one either. I don't like Uncle John, and I guess he knows it, for he says I ain't like any of the rest of the family, and he expects I'll go to sea and be a pirate instead of a respectable member of society, and I shouldn't wonder, for I rather be a pirate than a soap boiler like him, and I don't care if he is rich, it's a nasty business, and I shan't have to be a pirate either, for one can make lots of money without that, and they're always talkin' to me about being rich and respectable, and goin' to Congress, and being President, and all that sort of thing, but I don't want to be President; there's Lincoln, he was President, and I guess he's sorry for it now, and there's Andy Johnson, I guess he doesn't like it much either, and a feller doesn't have to be respectable to be a Congressman, there's John Morrissey, he's made money, and he's gone to Congress, and he has nice curly hair, and nice clothes, and he don't do any work either, I shouldn't like to be a fighter like he is, for I shouldn't like to have my nose smashed as his is, for it looks just like my mother's big squash did after the cow bit a chunk out of it, but I should like to have nice curly hair, nice clothes and lots of money, and a cane, and have people look at me when I walk down the street, and we get a mine pie and a whole nat full of doughnuts, and they thought it was the cook that stole 'em, and sent her away the next day, and Bob said he was glad of it for she didn't make good pie, and the doughnuts wasn't fried enough, and sometimes I do swear, for I said by golly, the other day, and sister heard me, and when she asked me if I didn't think I was very wicked, I said I was afraid I was, and I was sorry for it, and then she would do so no more, and then she said I was a good little boy, and told me about George Washington who cut down the apple tree, and was caught at it, and he said he did it with his little hatchet, just as though I hadn't heard all about it before, and didn't always think he was a big stupid for cuttin' wood when they had a hired man about the house, and dullin' his little hatchet, and besides it would have been a great deal jollier to let the tree be so he could have stole the apples off in the fall. I don't care if he was the Father of his Country he wasn't smart, and I'll bet the boys in our school would cheat him out of his eye-

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## THE HOMESTEAD

WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

AUGUST 28, 1867.

### RAILROAD CONVENTION:

The people of the 20th Legislative District, comprising the Counties of Faribault, Martin and Jackson, who are in favor of the speedy completion of a Railroad into and through these Counties; who are opposed to all hostile and unfriendly legislation that may either directly or indirectly obstruct or delay the building of such Road; and who believe it is the duty of a Member of the Legislature to represent the interest of his constituents, the people of his district, rather than the interests of a few town-site speculators, are requested to meet in Mass. Convention at Moulton's Hall, in Winnebago City, on Saturday, the 5th day of October, 1867, at 11 o'clock a. m., to put in nomination a candidate for Representative to the Legislature, and also to nominate County officers to be voted for at the coming election.

MANY CITIZENS,  
Winnebago City, Minn., Aug. 28, 1867.

### Republican State Convention.

The Union electors of the State of Minnesota are hereby called upon to meet in Delegate Convention at Ingersoll's Hall, St. Paul, on Wednesday, at 12 o'clock M., the 11th of September, 1867, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer and Attorney General, to be elected at the ensuing election in November next; the apportionment of delegates is as follows:

Anoka.....	1
Benton.....	1
Blue Earth.....	1
Brown.....	5
Carver.....	3
Crow Wing.....	1
Chisago.....	1
Dakota.....	1
Dodge.....	1
Douglas.....	1
Faribault.....	2
Fillmore.....	9
Freeborn.....	2
St. Louis.....	1
Groveland.....	2
Hennepin.....	9
Houston.....	1
Jones.....	1
Kandiyohi.....	1
Lake.....	1
Le Sueur.....	4
Lincoln.....	1
Martin.....	1
McLeod.....	1
Meeker.....	1
Mille Lacs.....	1

Delegates from unorganized counties not named will be subject to the action of the Convention.

THOS. FOSTER, Chmn. THOMAS SIMPSON,  
H. E. MANN, BENJ. F. SMITH,  
W. B. MITCHELL, W. H. MITCHELL  
Republican State Committee.  
St. Paul, July 18, 1867.

### Republican County Convention.

The Republican Electors of Faribault County are requested to meet in Delegate Convention at Blue Earth City, on Saturday, August 31st, 1867, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of choosing two Delegates to represent the County in the State Convention to be held at St. Paul the 20th day of September, and ten delegates to the 20th Senatorial District Convention, to be held at Fairmount, Wednesday, October 2d, 1867.

The various towns will be entitled to one delegate to every fifty votes cast at the last General Election for Wm. Windom, and one for every fraction of Two-hundred-and-five or more, as follows:

Winnebago City.....	2
Joe Davies.....	1
Guthrie.....	1
Blue Earth City.....	2
Lora.....	1
Minnetonka Lake.....	1
Dunbar.....	1
Verona.....	1
Prescott.....	1
Barber.....	1
Walnut Lake.....	1

G. D. MCARTHUR,  
Chairman of County Committee.

### Republican District Convention.

The Republicans of the 20th Legislative District are requested to meet in Convention at Fairmount, in Martin County, on Saturday, the 2d day of October, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for representative, to be supported at the ensuing election, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention.— Counties will be entitled to one delegate for each 100 votes cast for Mr. Windom at the last general election, as follows:—Faribault 10, Martin 3, Jackson 1.

A. C. HAND,  
A. BONWELL,  
District Central Committee.

August 7th, 1867.

Grant has found several government stables keeping civilian's horses at the expense of the government, and also found needless multiplication of officers and office holders, all of which were dispersed with at once.

It is generally believed that valuable mines of a very superior quality of coal exists in the newly acquired territory of Alaska.

Mr. Edwin Stanton, son of the late Secretary, still holds his position as clerk in the department.

"Content is with a monarchie,  
And mischiefs hit the high."

Who more than King Andy I.?—He keeps the ball rolling, but his National Base Ball, or his base national ball, is fast resolving itself into the Return Ball; and return it assuredly will, with such a rebound from the next November Congress, that big I will wish himself a little Southern tailor again, with his friendly goose for company instead of the lordly eagle—"proud bird of the mountain"—whose eye he has so much difficulty in keeping. Dizzy in his lofty position, his alcoholic brain vainly imagined that the laurels with which an assassin hand wreathed his brow would be fadless. The hoisted impeachment committee is fast assuming the hideous proportions of a head-man, and the ignoble blood of the poor President pulsates wildly, and he trembles in every nerve as he sees the great x slowly lifting to strike his head, sunk low on the great mid-rib of the north. His blood stained throats has no foundation in truth, morality or religion, and the vestal flame on the altar of Liberty pales before his breath, as the stars go out at dawn of day. Bitter with opposition, he is impotent with rage, and every sun that gilds the dome of Columbia's Capitol, stamps his soul with deeper darkness.

August 23d, 1867.

MR. EDITOR:—A Letter-writer from Fairmount to the St. Paul *Press* a few days since, says:—"Senator Wakefield strongly urges the nomination of Mr. Andrews," for the Legislature.—He, "Andrews, is true and able, and aside from his action on the Railroad question will give general satisfaction."

Why the course of the distinguished Representative from Martin County upon the Railroad question should not give general satisfaction to his constituents, is passing strange!! He and Wakefield were elected by the people for the express purpose of retarding the building of the Southern Minnesota Railroad, and as they have accomplished their mission, why should not the people be satisfied? Nothing has been done on the Road this Summer, and as this is just what these distinguished persons were elected to effect, the people who voted for them have reason to be exceedingly glad!

Let all those who wish to continue the "good thing," be active in renominating Mr. Andrews this fall, in response to the "strong desire" of Wakefield. It is really a silly idea some people have, that a Railroad built through Faribault and Martin Counties would be a good thing. It is no great trouble to haul wheat to the Winona & St. Peter Railroad, from fifty to seventy-five miles! One year extra, of such hauling, has already been secured by the prompt action of the people last fall in electing Wakefield and Andrews to the Legislature. By all means then, if it is thought desirable to have still further stoppage of work, re-elect Mr. Andrews, or some one else who will operate with Wakefield in crushing out the prospects of a Railroad in Faribault and Martin Counties. There will be no opposition this fall to those men.—If the farmers like their style, if they like still further postponement of their Railroad chances, if they like to haul their wheat seventy miles instead of having a depot near them, by all means gratify our distinguished Senator by re-electing some man like Andrews, who will co-operate with him in throwing as many obstacles in the way of Railroad building in these Counties as possible. If the people like it, and can stand it, by all means let them be gratified. Perhaps the Railroad Company can stand doses of Wakefield and Andrews as long as anybody.

A FARMER.

A poison of any conceivable description and degree of potency, which has been swallowed intentionally or by accident, may be rendered almost instantaneously harmless by swallowing two gills of sweet oil. An individual with a very strong constitution should take twice the quantity. This oil will neutralize every form of vegetable or mineral poison with which physicians and chemists are acquainted.

Solon Robinson, the agricultural editor of the New York *Tribune*, must be an Irishman, as he is a philosopher. Recently he wrote: "To forget trouble, hoe potatoes on good ground by the side of the woods in the afternoon shade. The smell of the vines and of the rich soil, and the singing of the birds and the crickets will be like reading a sweet and sorrowful psalm."

A terrible earthquake has recently occurred in Java.

## Washington.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The President has sent Grant a positive order relieving Gen. Sheridan, which he directed him to transmit. The order relieves Gen. Sheridan and orders him to the command of the Department of Missouri, in the place of Gen. Hancock, who goes to the Department of Tennessee, to relieve Gen. Thomas, who has been ordered to relieve Sheridan. This Presidential order was received by Grant this morning and was positive in its terms, leaving no alternative but compliance; nevertheless it is known that Grant visited the President to-day, and entered his earnest protest against the movement, but the President was immovable, and the order will be transmitted with instructions through the Adjutant General's office tomorrow. The order directing the change has not been made public, neither have the views of Gen. Grant upon the subject, which are understood not to have been expressed in any writing. There is the best authority for stating that he regards the movement as most unfortunate, though the living are all issues of the last wife or part of the previous wives, we have not ascertained. Haefner is now fifty-two years of age, medium size and of healthy, vigorous constitution.

Among the interesting sights at Saratoga are the public interviews of John C. Heenan and Hon. John Morrissey. They meet upon Broadway, shake hands, take a seat upon the lawn, light their cigars and hold a most friendly chat over their cigars of peace, for an hour at a time. The Benicia Boy is looking nobly—the very model of a perfectly built man. Morrissey looks like an old man beside him. Heenan is said to be worth \$100,000, and just now is a defendant in a suit in New York in which a patron of his gaming house seeks to recover about \$1,500 lost therein.

In New York a man 70 years old, lately ran 7 miles in 58 minutes and ten seconds, winning \$400.

## Remarkable Fecundity.

From the Lancaster (Pa.) Express.

We briefly stated on Friday last that a German named John Haefner, living in this city, had on the previous day followed to the grave his thirty-third child and that he was the father of thirty-seven children. Since then we have learned some further particulars of this remarkable case. Haefner was married three times. His first marriage took place in Germany when he was twenty-one years of age. With this wife he had seventeen children. At four successive conceptions triplets, twice twins, and the last a single birth. Shortly after the latter event the wife died. He was again married, and the issue of the second wife was fifteen children—seven times twins and the eighth a single child. This wife also died shortly after the last birth. His third and present wife has thus far presented him with five children, one at a birth. The sex of the children were nineteen boys and eighteen girls, only four of whom are now living—but whether the living are all issues of the last wife or part of the previous wives, we have not ascertained. Haefner is now fifty-two years of age, medium size and of healthy, vigorous constitution.

## READ and REMEMBER

THAT

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Starch,

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Currants,

Prunes,

Apples,

Peaches,

Pine apples,

Oysters,

Mackerel,

Cod Fish,

Dried Herring,

Smoked Halibut,

Crackers,

Rice,

Saleratus,

Salt,

Pails,

Tubs,

Brooms,

Vinegar,

and many other articles too numerous to mention, all of which will be sold at the lowest

price.

U. S. Land Office.

**MORTGAGE SALE.**—**DEFALKT** having been made in the condition of a certain Mortgage executed and delivered by Maria C. Mead and Lewis C. Mead, of the County of Faribault, and State of Minnesota, to Bruno Beaurap and Patrick H. Kelly, dated the 10th day of June, 1866, at 6 o'clock P. M., in Book 1 of Mortgages, page fifteen, on which there is claimed to be due a sum of \$1,000, plus interest, and one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and duly recorded in the office of the Registry of Deeds for the County of Faribault aforesaid, on the 12th day of June, 1866, at 6 o'clock P. M., in Book 1 of Mortgages, page fifteen, on which there is claimed to be due a sum of \$1,000, plus interest, and one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and duly recorded in the office of the Registry of Deeds for the County of Faribault aforesaid, on the 12th day of June, 1866, at 6 o'clock P. 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### DIVINE SERVICES.

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Ice at Richardson's.

Smoked Halibut at Dearborn's.

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Justice Court and Real Estate Blanks at the HOMESTEAD office.

A fresh supply of Drugs, &c. &c. &c., have just arrived at Farley's.

See the copartnership notice of Rice & Wheeler. Their advertisement will appear next week.

**Painters, Attention!**—A large quantity of Lead and Oil of the best quality, just received at the Drug Store.

Apples! Apples!! Apples!!!—Green Apples for Pies at the Drug Store.

Read the new advertisements this week, of C. McCabe, M. Dearborn, John Kieble, S. E. Henderson & Co., Alfred L. Sewell, and G. F. Kimball.

**Wanted**—Copies of the HOMESTEAD, for June 19th and 26th, 1867. We will pay for two copies each, for the above dates, if they are left at this office.

**For Sale** at the house of C. S. Kimball, one Bureau, one Bedstead, one Table, and a Sheet-iron Stove with pipe and zinc.

Winnebago City, Aug. 28th, 1867.

Shakopee now boasts a good-looking, stirring Republican newspaper.—M. C. Russell, Publisher and Proprietor. It deserves the energetic support of every Republican in Scott County.

Last week Friday, W. R. Wood, Land Commissioner of the Minnesota Valley Railroad, entered 306,120 acres of land at the U. S. Land Office in this City.

**Kulliyun!! Kulliyun!!**—Shirrel's unequalled "Kulliyun" Washing Crystal may be obtained at Farley's Drug Store in Winnebago City. All who have used it, pronounce it the best Dirt Extractor in the world.

The subject of "Northfield college" as presented at the Baptist church last week by Rev. Charles Suckome, was highly interesting, and the audience succumbed to the amount of thirty eight dollars.

Three magnificent Steel Engravings of Mr. Hicks' Picture of the "Distinguished Authors of the United States" are for sale at this office. The regular retail price of this large Picture showing forty-four full length Portraits, is \$12.

A large fine-flavored specimen of apples of the red astrachan variety, has been shown us by J. W. Holley, grown in his garden, on trees three years old. There is no evident reason why Minnesota should not rival the mellow orchards of New Jersey or New York.

The editor of an Eastern exchange has evidently been reading the poem commencing:

"Backward, turn backward, oh Time, in your flight."

for in his issue of Aug. 16th, he tells his readers to look out for a shower of meteors on the evenings of the 9th and 10th of August.

A. H. Harritt, the gentlemanly Gen'l Agent of the St. Paul Press, visited our office yesterday. He is taking subscriptions for the Campaign paper, which every true Republican voter in Minnesota should have in his pocket, and which every Democrat should read when he can get the opportunity.

Nearly all the grain in this County is cut, but much of it remains to be stacked. It is now thought the yield will be much better than the most sanguin hoped for three weeks since.—Some pieces on corn ground which were thought worthless from blight, will yield at least twenty-five bushels per acre.

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They have some promising children around Irontown. Not long since a big boy appeared in school one morning, when the following dialogue occurred between him and the teacher:

"Can you read?"

"Don't know," was the reply.

"Can't you spell easy words?"

"Don't know."

"Do you know the alphabet?"

"Yes."

"Try this word."

"B-r-e-a-d."

"What does that spell?"

"Don't know."

"What do you eat?"

"Acorns."

"B-e-d."

"What does that spell?"

"Don't know."

"What do you sleep on at night?"

"Sheepskins."

"Try another."

"G-i-a-s-s."

"What does that spell?"

"Don't know."

"What do you put in the window at home?"

"Pap's old hats."

"Try again."

"W-a-t-e-r."

"What does that spell?"

"Don't know."

"What do you drink?"

"Whiskey."

"You can take your seat and study your lesson."

"Mister I reckon you couldn't give a feller a chew terbacker, could yer?"

"Take your seat."

"Now, look here, you needn't put on any style; you're a nabolitionist, and I ain't goin' to this school eny more. Mam told me if you sassed me to come home, and I'm goin'."

The youthful Missourian then and there finished his education, and has not been to school since. No doubt he will in a few years be up for Congress.

#### Painful.

A correspondent furnishes the following:

Our district school was kept at one time by a young man named Paine. Among the girls attending school was Patience M., a lively, good natured Miss of 18. It soon became evident that she was the favorite of the teacher, as nearly all his leisure time was spent in her company, and their smiles and love glances during school-hours could not be passed unnoticed. One day W.—, one of the boys, (and a general favorite with the whole school,) burst out in a fit of laughter, and being asked by the teacher for his reasons for so doing, he declined to answer. The teacher, however, insisted, and threatened to punish him, not only for laughing, but for refusing to answer. W.— said he would answer the question, if the teacher would promise not to punish him. After some hesitation the teacher gave him required promise.

"I was thinking," said W.—, "of the following line of Dr. Watts:

"See gentle Patience smile on Pain."

The effect upon the school can be better imagined than described. Patience M.— did not attend school after that day, and soon after its close was married to the teacher; and, for aught I know, continues to smile on Paine.

Fanny Ferg thinks it ought to be considered a disgrace to be sick, confidently adding: "I am fifty-five, and I feel half the time as if I was just made. To be sure, I was born in Maine, where the timber and hunt'n race last; but I don't eat pastry, nor candy, nor ice cream. I own stout boots—pretty ones too. I have a water-proof cloak, and no diamonds, like a nice bit of beef steak and a glass of ale, and any body else who wants it may eat pap. I go to bed at ten and get up at six. I dash out in the rain because it feels good on my face. I don't care for my clothes, but I will be well; and after I am buried, I warn you, don't let any fresh air or sunlight down on my coffin, if you don't want me to get up." We suppose that Mr. Parton will have that final injunction piously carried out.

The vulgar rendering of the motto of the Order of the Garter, "Evil be to him that evil thinks," is simply absurd. In fact there is no such word as *honi*. *Honi*, as it ought to be written is not a noun, but the past participle of the verb *honir*, to disgrace, revile, curse. The true signification of *Honi soit qui mal y pense*, as King Edward—if he ever said it—must have meant, would be: "He be d—d that thinks any wrong of it."

Marie Sophie Amelie, ex-Queen of Naples, whose death was telegraphed from Europe on Saturday, was a beautiful young creature, not more than twenty-five years old, with fine brown eyes, dark hair, worn very short, and a most graceful figure. At the siege of Gaeta she donned male attire, presided at the councils of war, and even fought with her husband's soldiers. After the surrender of Bomba at Gaeta, and the ultimate overthrow of the Bourbons on Neapolitan soil, the ex-Queen and King removed to Rome, where it is said the Pope was much shocked at the "fast" conduct of the young Queen. It is alleged that his Holiness reprimanded her Majesty severely for shooting cats out of one of the back windows of the Vatican. She rode a horse astride, which also offended propriety.

Charles Dickens has coined a new form of oath, and hurls it at the American Congress, for not passing an International copyright law. In a letter to Louis Gaylord Clark he says: "What impossible wager shall I make against some property of yours, that you and I will not be found in our graves, and out of them in particles of dust, impalpable to human sight, before those wrangling men at Washington in their earthly plots care one miserable d—n for mind?"

"Pat," said Judge Sniff to his neighbor, in a sleeping ear, "you would have to remain long in the old country before you could have slept with a judge." "Yes, yer honor; and ye would have been a long time in the old country before ye'd been a judge."

Father Taylor, when asked, "Why haven't you been made a doctor of divinity?" usually answers, "I suppose it is because my divinity has never been sick."

Why is a prosy preacher like the middle of a wheel? Because the wheels around him are tired.

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